

## REALTY BOARDS PLAN CHANGES IN ORGANIZATION

National Convention at San Francisco Will Revamp Present Rules.

One of the most important matters to come before the convention of the National Association of Real Estate Boards to be held in San Francisco May 31 to June 3, is the question of reorganization, according to John A. Petty, Executive Secretary of the Washington Real Estate Board.

The National Association, which comprises something over 400 local boards scattered in practically every city of the country and different parts of Canada, is today operating under the same organization that existed when the membership was less than 200 boards. During the past two years through intense and systematic activities, the organization has doubled its membership while continuing under the same plan that has been in operation for many years.

It became apparent to officers of the national association that the constitution and by-laws were not in keeping with the larger organization and the broadened scope of its activities. At the recent meeting of the national executive committee held in Washington, a plan of reorganization was outlined in the adoption for changes in the constitution and by-laws which will be submitted to the convention for final ratification.

### New Procedure.

Reports from the National headquarters indicate that the San Francisco Convention will be conducted on somewhat different lines than heretofore. Organization and other purely routine matters will perhaps not consume more than one day of the convention, the National officers feeling that much more constructive work could be accomplished by devoting the larger portions of the conventions to group conferences on subjects pertaining to real estate both from local and national angles. The program includes taxation, appraisals, financing zoning, property management, housing and advertising. Francisco convention will be considered in conferences under the direction of recognized experts.

Last summer in Chicago the group conferences were held for the first time and because they met with such success will now be considered a regular feature of the annual conventions. At these group conferences it is possible for an individual realtor to discuss with leading experts from all parts of the country subjects in which he is personally and directly interested in his daily work. This offers to realtors a splendid opportunity to increase their efficiency and service by studying the latest ideas and up-to-date methods that have proven successful in different communities.

### D. C. Plans In Hand.

Plans of the local delegation, according to Thos. E. Jarrell, chairman of the convention committee, have been definitely shaped and the committee is now working to insure the attendance of a large delegation from Washington. Special arrangements are being made for the comfort and convenience of the delegates throughout the entire trip and many new features never heretofore used are being planned. Special attention is being given to the comfort and convenience of the ladies, a large number of whom is expected. In addition to the local realtors the special train from Washington will also carry delegates from Baltimore, Alexandria, Norfolk and Richmond, these nearby boards having been recently invited by the local board to combine in arranging the itinerary.

### ARLINGTON STATION SENDS OUT NEWS AND SPORTS

Latest news of the day, including baseball scores, was flashed through the ether by radiophone last night from NAA, the big naval station at Arlington. The radiophone was only recently installed and is now being tested out. It is likely that radiophone press news will be a nightly feature. Last night's news was flashed at about 9 o'clock.

The Friday night concert of NOF, the naval air station at Anacostia, was rudely interrupted last night when electricity furnished by the Potomac Electric Power Company failed. Lights in many sections of the city went out for fifteen or twenty minutes, and simultaneously a violin solo being broadcast was snapped short.

NOF broadcast last night on a new wave length of 405 meters. As most of the broadcasting stations work on wave lengths of 360 meters, it is believed that the new wave length will eliminate interference. NOF has requested information from other stations as to the effectiveness of the new wave length in minimizing interference.

### Shot During Quarrel.

POCAHONTAS, Va., April 15.—James Armstrong, 70 years old, was shot by Charles Mitchell during a quarrel over some chickens. It is alleged that Mitchell shot Armstrong's son Saturday and waited near the Armstrong home until early Sunday morning. When the elder Armstrong emerged from his home, Mitchell is accused of shooting him with a high powered rifle. Mitchell is in jail awaiting the action of the grand jury.

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### NEW DUNIGAN COLONIAL HOMES FINDING FAVOR

The new row of six-room brick colonial homes recently completed by D. J. Dunigan on Upshur street northwest, between Third and Fourth streets, is meeting with great favor among new home purchasers. These houses are in one of the most desirable sections of Potomac, overlooking the beautiful Soldiers Home Grounds. Three purchasers of these attractive homes took possession during the past week.

Mrs. Minnie E. Walker purchased 304 Upshur street. Ernest P. Klings purchased 306 Upshur street. Noble Viers purchased 320 Upshur street.

### TRAIN GOES THROUGH FLOOD-WEAKENED CULVERT

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., April 15.—Passengers on a Chicago and Eastern Illinois passenger train were badly shaken up when the locomotive and a baggage car crashed through a culvert weakened by a cloudburst two miles south of Carlisle, Ind., yesterday.

## W. S. FORSYTH OPENS REALTY OFFICE OF OWN

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William L. Forsyth, for a number of years connected with the office of O. B. Zantinger, has opened a general real estate office at 500 Eleventh street southeast. Greater Capitol Heights, a nearby suburban subdivision, has been placed into his hands exclusively. This subdivision, which is probably the highest point east of Washington comprises about 4,500 lots, very conveniently located in a rolling country within a very few miles of

the Capitol. During the past thirty days Mr. Forsyth has disposed of over \$5,000 worth of lots, showing conclusively that there is a demand for the more reasonable priced unimproved properties. Many homes are now under construction in the subdivision, among them being one for Mr. Forsyth, which he expects to make his home.

Mr. Forsyth is well known locally in the real estate field. He has always specialized in moderate priced on reasonable terms. At his new address he expects to do a general real estate business.

### BANDIT FAILS TO GET \$53,000 IN MAIL HOLDUP

GRANITE CITY, Ill., April 15.—A daring attempt by a bandit to rob a United States mail truck of \$53,000 in currency was foiled yesterday by the watchfulness of postoffice inspectors stationed along the route which the truck followed.

Following a pistol duel in which a score of shots whistled through the streets of the business section, Paddy Conway, of St. Louis, former convict, was arrested, charged with the attempted hold up.

### TAKE SUSPECT IN PLOT TO ASSASSINATE SMUTS

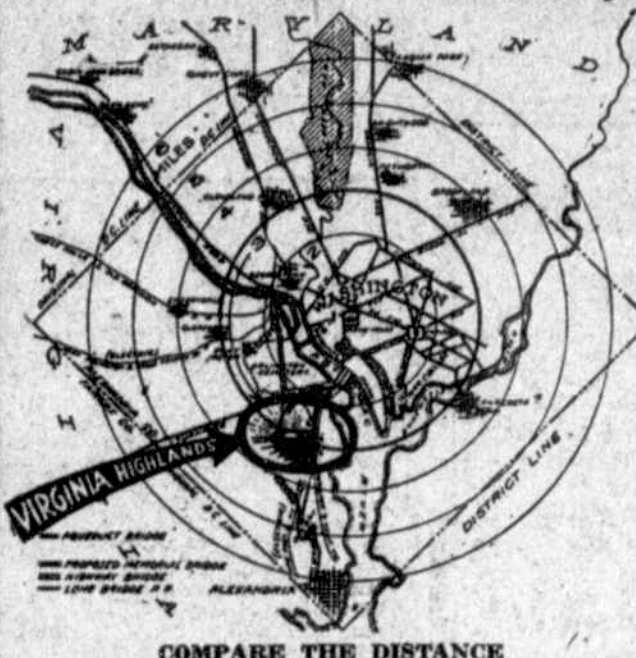
LONDON, April 15.—Details of an attempt to assassinate Premier Jan Christian Smuts, of the Union of South Africa, during the revolt of mine strikers at Johannesburg, were revealed today when an elderly Russian, giving the name of Frank Cohen, was arraigned in court at Johannesburg, said a Central News dispatch from Johannesburg today. Cohen said he made his home in rebel headquarters and that it was from this house that shots were fired at General Smuts in an effort to kill him.

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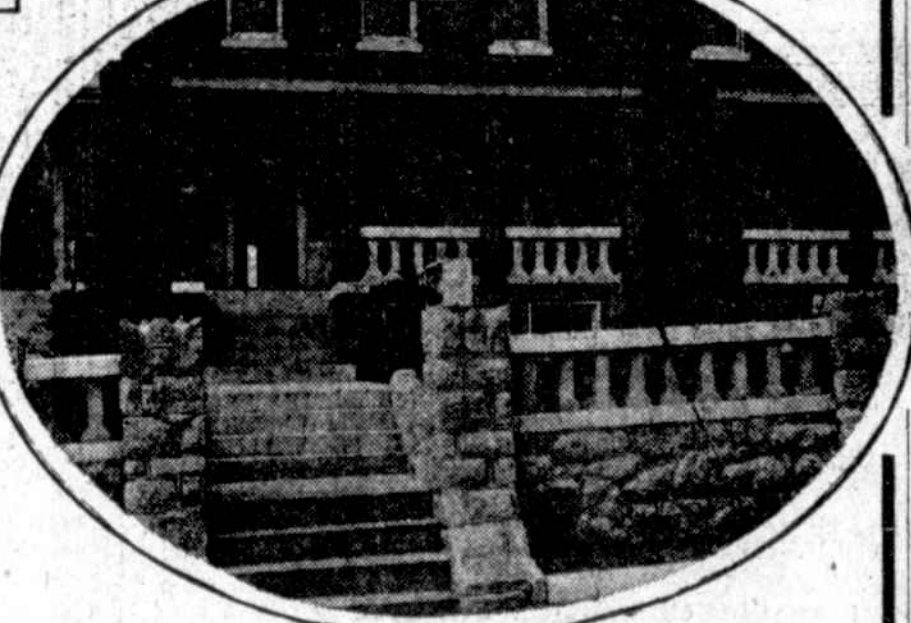
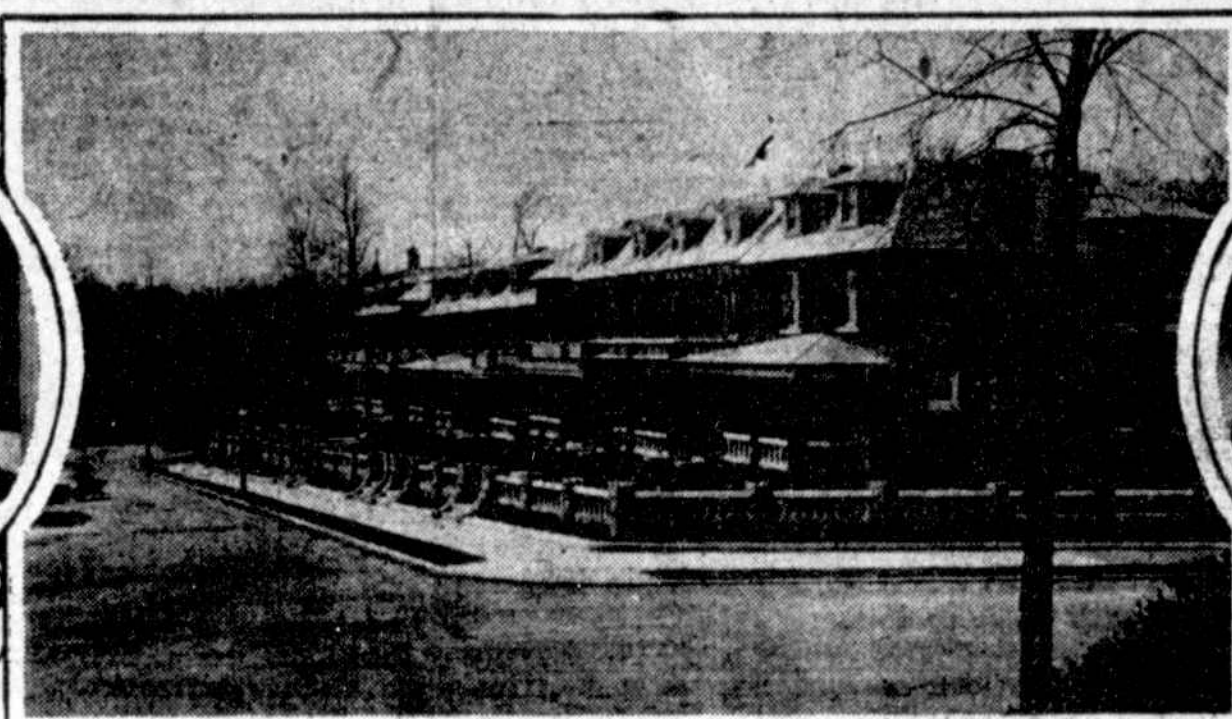
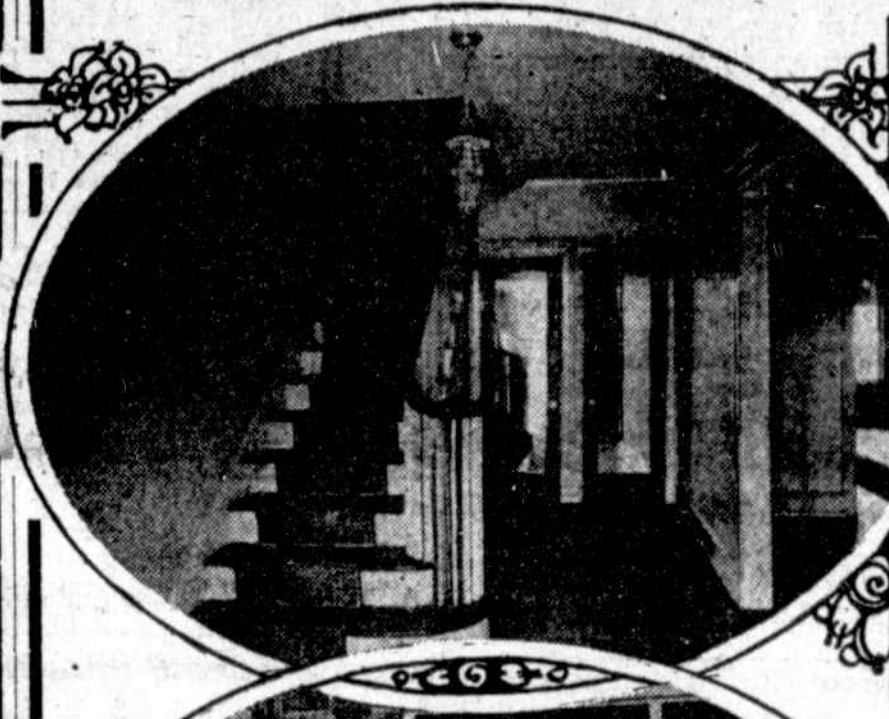
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